IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CRIMINAL NO. 07-33

> **DATE FILED: 1/23/07** v. :

RON SHOR VIOLATIONS:

> 18 U.S.C. § 924(a)(1)(A) (making a false statement to a federal firearms licensee

- 2 counts)

Notice of forfeiture

INDICTMENT

COUNTS ONE AND TWO

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

At all times material to this indictment:

- 1. C & C Sports Center, located at 101 Geiger Road in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, FFL# 8-23-17990, possessed an FFL and was authorized to deal in firearms under federal law.
- 2. Virginia T. Lock, d/b/a Lock's Philadelphia Gun Exchange, located at 6700 Rowland Avenue in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, FFL# 8-23-01580, possessed an FFL and was authorized to deal in firearms under federal law.
- 3. FFL holders were licensed, among other things, to sell firearms and ammunition. Various rules and regulations promulgated under the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Chapter 44 (Sections 921-929), govern the manner in which an FFL holder may sell firearms and ammunition.
- 4. The rules and regulations governing FFL holders required that a person seeking to purchase a handgun fill out a "Firearms Transaction Record," ATF Form 4473. Part

of the Form 4473 required that the prospective purchaser certify truthfully, subject to penalties of perjury, that he or she was the actual buyer of the firearm. The Form 4473 contained language warning that "[t]he federal firearms laws require that the individual filling out this form must be buying the firearm for himself or as a gift. Any individual who is not buying the firearm for himself/herself or as a gift, but who completes this form, violates the law." ". . . answering "yes" to question 12a [which asks, "Are you the actual buyer of the firearm(s) listed on this form?"] when [you] are not the actual buyer of the firearm is a crime punishable as a felony."

- 5. A person who purchases a firearm for another person and falsely completes the Form 4473 is a "straw purchaser." Acting as a straw purchaser is referred to as "lying and buying."
- 6. FFL holders were required to maintain a record, in the form of a completed Form 4473, of the identity of the actual buyer of firearms sold by the FFL holder, to ensure that the person was not prohibited from purchasing a firearm.
- 7. On or about each of the dates specified in the chart below, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

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knowingly made a false statement and representation with respect to the information required to be kept in the records of federally licensed firearms dealers, in connection with the acquisition of each of the firearms listed in the table below, in that, defendant SHOR certified on the Department of Treasury Form 4473, Firearms Transaction Record, that he was the actual buyer of the firearms listed in the table below, when in fact, as he knew, this statement was false and fictitious.

COUNT	FFL	FIREARM(S) PURCHASED		
1	February 25, 2003 C & C Sports Center	1 Charter Arms, model Bulldog, .44 spl caliber revolver, serial number 34726		
2	March 4, 2003 Virginia T. Lock, d/b/a "Lock's Philadelphia Gun Exchange"	1 Sig Sauer, model 229, .357 SIG caliber pistol, serial number AD39051 1 Sig Sauer, model 226, .40S&W caliber pistol, serial number U582073		

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(a)(1)(A).

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

As a result of the violations of Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(a)(1)(A), set forth in this indictment, defendant

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shall forfeit to the United States of America all firearms involved in the commission of such offenses, including, but not limited to:

- 1) One Charter Arms, model Bulldog, .44 spl caliber revolver, serial number 34726;
- 2) one Sig Sauer, model 229, .357 SIG caliber pistol, serial number AD39051; and;
- one Sig Sauer, model 226, .40S&W caliber pistol, serial number
 U582073.

All pursuant to Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), and Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(d).

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